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SUBJ: EIGHTH REPORT OF U.S. DELEGATION TO ICAO ASSEMBLY,
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1. PLENARY MEETING APPROVED REPORTS (INCLUDING RESOLUTIONS)
OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON ITEMS 7 (JOINT INSPECTION UNIT,
AUTHENTIC RUSSIAN TEXT OF CHICAGO CONVENTION AND SYSTEMS PLANNING
OF NEW AIRCRAFT TYPES) AND 15 (ICAO OFFICIAL EMBLEM AND SEAL)
AND OF ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION ON ITEMS 35.1 AND 35.2 RE
ASSESSMENTS.

2. AFTER CHAIRMAN PRESENTED WP/36 ON UN RESOLUTIONS CONCERNING
INVITATIONS TO LIBERATION MOVEMENTS TO ATTEND MEETINGS OF THE
ASSEMBLY, TUNISIA CONGRATULATED SECRETARIAT FOR THIS WORKING
PAPER, HOPED NEW POLICY OF PORTUGAL WOULD LEAD TO GREATER PARTI-
CIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND FORMALLY MOVED
FOLLOWING:

"THE ASSEMBLY AUTHORIZES THE COUNCIL TO EXTEND INVITATIONS,
THROUGH THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY OR THE ARAB LEAGUE,
TO REPRESENTATIVES OF LIBERATION MOVEMENTS RECOGNIZED BY BOTH
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OF THESE TWO ORGANIZATIONS TO ATTEND, AS OBSERVERS, ICAO MEETINGS

DEALING WITH MATTERS PERTAINING TO THEIR RESPECTIVE TERRITORIES."
THIS PROPOSAL WAS SECONDED BY NUMEROUS OTHER DELEGATIONS.

3. ISRAEL SAID TUNISIA HAD OPENED POLITICAL DEBATE IN ICAO MEETING WHICH NOT COMPETENT TO TAKE ACTION; PALESTINEAN LIBERATION ORGANIZATION IS ONLY ORGANIZATION RECOGNIZED BY ARAB LEAGUE, BEARS NO RELATION TO AFRICAN LIBERATION MOVEMENTS AND IS IDENTIFIED WITH AIR PIRACY. ISRAEL THEN REQUESTED ROLL-CALL VOTE. TUNISIA SUPPORTED THIS REQUEST AND CITED ISRAELI ATTACKS ON CIVIL AIRCRAFT. JAMAICA INQUIRED WHETHER PROPOSAL TO INCLUDE PLO AMONG LIBERATION MOVEMENTS HAD BEEN CONSIDERED BY UN, WHICH WAS NOT THE CASE. ISRAEL REQUESTED A ROLL-CALL VOTE TO DELETE THE PHRASE "OR THE ARAB LEAGUE" AND THIS AMENDMENT, SUPPORTED BY US, WAS REJECTED BY A ROLL-CALL VOTE OF 4 (ECUADOR, ISRAEL, NICARAGUA AND US) IN FAVOR, 68 AGAINST AND 34 ABSTENTIONS. US REGRETTED ISSUE HAD COME BEFORE ICAO AND SAID IT VOTED FOR AMENDMENT BECAUSE PLO HAS SUBORDINATE ORGANIZATIONS WHICH HAVE PERPETRATED ACTS OF AIR PIRACY. SOUTH AFRICA, PHILIPPINES, FRANCE, COSTA RICA, NICARAGUA, NEW ZEALAND, ECUADOR AND URUGUAY ALSO MADE STATEMENTS AFTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE APPROVED RESOLUTION BY CONSENSUS. COMMITTEE APPROVED ITS REPORT TO PLENARY ON ITEMS 13 (INTERNATIONAL CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION AND 16 (CIVIL AVIATION AND THE HUMAN ENVIRONMENT).

4. ECONOMIC COMMISSION CONSIDERED DRAFT REPORTS ON ITEMS 24.1, 24.2 AND 27. GHANA PRESENTED REPORT OF WORKING GROUP ON AN AIR TRANSPORT CONFERENCE STATING THAT CONCLUSIONS HAD BEEN REACHED BY UNANIMOUS DECISION. DRAFT RESOLUTION WOULD DIRECT COUNCIL (1) TO DRAW UP DESCRIPTIVE LIST OF MAJOR ECONOMIC PROBLEMS CONFRONTING INTERNATIONAL AIR TRANSPORT NOT ALREADY BEING DEALT WITH BY ICAO; (2) SEND LIST TO CONTRACTING STATES AND WORLDWIDE AND REGIONAL CIVIL AVIATION BODIES, REQUESTING THEY COMMUNICATE TO SECRETARY GENERAL THEIR EXPERIENCE AND SUGGESTIONS FOR REMEDIAL ACTION; (3) ON BASIS OF MATERIAL RECEIVED PREPARE, AS APPROPRIATE, A PLAN FOR CONSIDERATION OF THESE MATTERS BY MEANS OF A SPECIAL AIR TRANSPORT CONFERENCE OR AN ASSEMBLY SESSION AND (4) IN IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS PLAN AND TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION ECONOMIC SITUATION OF AIR TRANSPORT EITHER MAKE ARRANGMENTS FOR AN AIR TRANSPORT CONFERENCE OR PLACE APPROPRIATE

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ITEM ON AGENDA FOR ASSEMBLY SESSION. WHEN BARBADOS QUESTIONED WHY IT WAS NECESSARY TO HAVE BOTH CLAUSES (3) AND (4), US SUGGESTED COMBINING THE TWO. GHANA, UK AND COLOMBIA ALL AGREED WITH US PROPOSAL. SPAIN SUGGESTED PRELIMINARY SEMINARS ON MOST CONFERENCE ITEMS. AMENDED VERSION OF RESOLUTION WILL BE PREPARED BY SECRETARIAT AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION IS TO CONSIDER FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS.

5. COMMISSION THEN RESUMED DISCUSSION OF ITEM 25, FARES AND RATES. GHANA PROPOSED THAT PROGRAM OF ICAO STUDIES IN WP/21 BE AMENDED SO THAT COUNCIL MAY

"ALSO WITHIN THE TRIENNium ESTABLISH A SMALL PANEL OF EXPERTS WHICH IN THE LIGHT OF RESULTS UNDER PARA. 14 B) 1) AND 2) WOULD EXAMINE THE MACHINERY FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF INTERNATIONAL FARES AND RATES AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING POSSIBLE IMPROVEMENTS OF THAT MACHINERY".

AFTER DISCUSSION OF THIS PROPOSAL, BARBADOS FORMALLY SECONDED WORKING GROUP PROPOSAL ALSO CALLING FOR STUDY OF MACHINERY FOR ESTABLISHING FARES AND RATES BUT WITHOUT THE OTHER ICAO STUDIES. US SAID IT WAS PREMATURE TO VOTE AND RESERVED THE RIGHT TO COMMENT ON WP/21 AS DID THE UK. AT THE END OF THE AFTERNOON GHANA PROPOSED THAT SECRETARIAT SUMMARIZE VARIOUS SUGGESTIONS MADE.

6. TECHNICAL COMMISSION RESUMED ITS REVIEW OF ITEM 22 AND APPROVED APPENDICES N, O, P, Q, R, S. THE LEAD-IN RESOLUTION TO THE REVISED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT ON PAGES A-1 AND A-2 OF WP/3 WAS ALSO APPROVED. COMMISSION COMPLETED INITIAL CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA ITEM 23 (ASSEMBLY RESOLUTIONS TO BE CONSOLIDATED OR DECLARED NO LONGER IN FORCE). ALL ACTION TAKEN ARE IN ACCORD WITH US POSITION.

7. TECHNICAL COMMISSION RESUMED ITS CONSIDERATION OF APPENDIX M TO THE DRAFT REVISED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CONTINUING AIR NAVIGATION POLICIES (BASED ON WP/29 AND SUBSEQUENT DISCUSSION). ACTION WAS NOT COMPLETED AT TIME OF ADJOURNMENT. THERE WILL BE TWO MEETINGS OCTOBER 7. REVIEW OF APPENDIX M WILL CONTINUE. COMMISSION WILL THEN CONSIDER AGENDA ITEM 19 AND, TIME PERMITTING, START CONSIDERATION OF ITEM 40.

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